

REMARKS

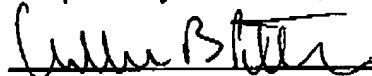
This is intended as a full and complete response to the Final Office Action dated December 2, 2004, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on March 2, 2005. Claims 21-48 remain pending in the application. Claims 21-37 and 40-46 stand rejected, and claims 38-39 and 47-48 are objected to by the Examiner. Applicants previously canceled claims 1-20 without prejudice and are currently canceling claims 21-48 without prejudice. Applicants are adding new claims 49-52.

Claims 21-37, 40, and 45 stand rejected under 35 USC § 102(e) as anticipated by *Baugh et al.* (U.S. Patent Number 6,446,724). Claim 41 is rejected under 35 USC § 102(b) as anticipated by *Vance* (U.S. Patent Number 5,220,959). Claims 42-44 and 46 stand rejected under 35 USC § 103(a) as unpatentable over *Baugh et al.* in view of *Vance*. Applicants have canceled claims 21-48.

Claims 38, 39, 47, and 48 are objected to as dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicants have rewritten claims 38, 39, 47, and 48 in substantially the same form as new claims 49, 50, 51, and 52, respectively, with claims 49-51 written in independent form and claim 52 depending from claim 51. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request allowance of new claims 49-52.

Having addressed all issues set out in the Final Office Action, Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully request allowance of the claims.

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